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Carmel firefighter beats COVID-19, now donating plasma to help others

Aroundtuit?

The REPORTER
City of Carmel firefighter Kevin Young – who contracted COVID-19, was hospitalized and has now fully recovered – has begun donating his plasma for potentially life-saving treatments for patients who are extremely ill with the virus.

According to the FDA, anyone who has fully recovered from COVID-19 may be able to help patients currently fighting the infection by donating their plasma. Because Young fought the infection, his plasma now contains COVID-19 antibodies and these antibodies (which helped his immune system fight the virus) may be able to help



Kevin Young

others fight off the disease.

Young, who is 40, made his first donation last week at Versiti blood donation center in Indianapolis, and he plans to make another donation next week. Versiti (formerly the Indiana Blood Center) also has a Carmel location, but it currently only accepts donations of blood, not plasma.

Convalescent plasma is the

liquid part of blood that is collected from patients who have recovered from the novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19. Patients develop antibodies in the blood against the virus. Antibodies are proteins that might help fight the infection.

Convalescent plasma is being investigated for the treatment of COVID-19 because there is no approved

treatment for this disease, and there is some information that suggests it might help some patients recover from COVID-19.

“If my plasma donation can help save the lives of COVID-19 patients who are near death, then I will plan to do this as much as possible,” said Young. “When I was sick, we had so many friends and neighbors who helped me and my family. This is my way of giving back.”

Because Young’s blood is type AB-negative, he is a “universal donor” of plasma, making his donations even more valuable

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In all of this chaos and cluster I have found my aroundtuit! You know, those things that I always wanted to do when I had the time and got around to it.

The first was found in my kitchen. When I am working, my cooking skills are put on a shelf or inside the refrigerator, until the weekends. Now I am in my happy place every day.

I may not be bringing home the bacon, but I can still fry an entire ham in a pan. Actually, it's a cast iron skillet, in I which I fry each piece individually.

As it fries in a bit of oil, I sprinkle each slice with some of the brown sugar mix that comes with it. This is something my mother taught me and my family requests it every

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COLUMNIST



JANET HART LEONARD
From the Heart

Sheriff's office partners with Shepherd Center

Virtual Holocaust ceremony set for this Friday in Carmel

The REPORTER
The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is excited to announce its partnership with the Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County (SCHC). SCHC is the trusted resource in Hamilton County for connecting seniors to programs and resources that support their independence.

Lt. Jason Sloderbeck felt this partnership would align with the values and goals of the HCSO Community Foundation. The HCSO Community Foundation was established as a charitable organization to support the important mission of serving local Hamilton County communities.

On April 9, deputies with the Sheriff's Office assisted SCHC by picking up necessary food and other items from the grocery store, decontaminating the items, and then helping to organize and deliver them to local senior citizens.



Photo provided

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Department is working with Shepherd's Center to provide food and other necessary goods to local senior citizens.

ing food, cleaning supplies, and other needed items to their doors, along with regularly reaching out with a personal call to assess any needs and provide vital social connection.

The Sheriff's Office and SCHC will continue to work together every Thursday to help with grocery shopping, food decontamination, and food delivery. Hamilton County citizens are encouraged to assist in reaching out to SCHC if you or a loved one is a senior in Hamilton County and could use this resource.

You can donate to SCHC by going to the [web-site donation page](#) or by writing a check to: Shepherd's Center of Hamilton

County, 347 S. 8th St., Noblesville, IN 46060. Please note "Coronavirus support" in the memo line.

You can also donate to the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office Community Foundation at [hcsocommunityfoundation.com](#). These donations will allow the department to support those less fortunate in local communities, support the department's hard-working employees and to build strong relationships in local communities.

For more information, please contact Executive Director Lauren Guynn at (317) 674-8777 or Board member/Coronavirus Task Force Leader Melanie Fauth at (317) 313-7132.

The REPORTER
The City of Carmel's Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony will be held this year on the [City of Carmel's Facebook page](#). The ceremony, set for Friday, April 24, will begin at noon and last approximately a half hour.

The composer of *Vedem*, Lori Laitman, will deliver the keynote presentation in a pre-recorded talk. She will speak about the Terezin concentration

camp and the experience of those who created the underground newspaper, *Vedem*, and how Holocaust survivor Sidney Taussig buried the manuscript and later dug it up. Laitman developed a strong, personal friendship with Taussig while writing the music 10 years ago. Taussig attended the world premiere in Seattle and was part of a documentary film made about the experience.

The program will in-

clude Mayor Jim Brainard; Rabbi Benjamin Sendrow of Congregation Shaarey Tefilla; Rabbi Stanley Halpern of Congregation Beth Shalom; Rabbi Justin Kerber of Congregation Beth Shalom; City Councilman Miles Nelson, representing the Mayor's Advisory Commission on Human Relations; and Carmel Clay Schools Superintendent Dr. Michael Beresford.

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ATI names Abigail Tomlin as new Production Stage Manager

The REPORTER
Actors Theatre of Indiana announced Friday that the Co-Founders of ATI have chosen Abigail Tomlin to become the Equity professional theatre company's next Production Stage Manager. Tomlin will succeed Kevin Casey, who announced his departure after five years in the role.

"We are very pleased that Abigail has agreed to join us as our next Production Stage Manager. We look forward to working with her as we continue to pro-



Tomlin

vide high quality professional theatre and programs," said ATI Co-Founder and Artistic Director Don Farrell.

Tomlin will be a familiar face to fans and season ticket holders of ATI. She worked as a production assistant last season, part of her five-year career in the business.

"We were very impressed with her management style and production skills while working with Abigail

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Fishers Parks & Rec hard at work for AgriPark opening this summer

The REPORTER
Preparations are underway at the Fishers AgriPark, located at 113th Street and Florida Road, as the Fishers Parks team gears up for a summer opening.

As one of the nation's largest urban farms, the Fishers AgriPark pays homage to Fishers' agricultural roots, while inspiring future generations of farmers, scientists, agronomists, robotics engineers, chefs and more.

"The Fishers AgriPark will be a unique asset for our community, truly unlike any of our other park properties," said Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness. "There will be so many opportunities for our residents to engage with the farm, from picking fresh produce for your pantry, to helping to feed the animals, to hiking and exploring the gardens. I'm so excited for our community to experience this space."

The Fishers AgriPark will feature public fields and gardens, managed by Fishers Parks, and free admission. In the gardens, residents can pick seasonal produce and cut flowers to take home at no charge. Along with providing you-pick opportunities for residents, a portion of the produce grown will be donated to local food shelters. An animal area will offer

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Police see increased domestic disturbance calls since stay-at-home order

By ALEAH HORDGES
WISH-TV | [wishTV.com](#)

The Westfield Police Department and other jurisdictions have seen an increase in domestic disturbance calls in the last few weeks. Capt. Charles Hollowell told News 8 it can be stressful for an officer to respond to a domestic violence situation.

Indianapolis police officer Breann Leath was responding to a recent domes-

tic disturbance call when she was shot and killed.

Hollowell said there hasn't been a huge number of calls, but mentioned the department often runs into more verbal disputes than physical.

"There are dangers that definitely come with domestic violence calls you don't know what you're getting into," Hollowell said. "You go into someone's residence, you don't know if there's weapons

and things like that inside someone's home."

Kelly McBride, executive director of the Domestic Violence Network, said they are a partnering with various police agencies. She said the network and police departments has seen an increase in domestic violence since the stay-at-home order took effect across Indiana in an effort to slow the spread of coronavirus.

"Two people who are or have been in a relationship;

now that doesn't mean that there isn't family violence also escalating and happening right now, such as child abuse or between brothers or sisters," McBride said.

"We're getting much more calls from new people we've never heard from before who are reaching out for those crisis services and needing an immediate place to flee to be safe," said McBride.

News 8 has reached out to police departments in

Marion, Hamilton, Johnson and Hendricks counties to see how many domestic disturbance calls have been received between March 1 and April 10.

Noblesville Police said they received 13 calls compared to six around this time in 2019.

Other jurisdictions said there's been an increase, but it hasn't been a huge spike. as Fishers Police Department has gotten six and the Lawrence Police Department re-

ceived nine calls so far.

Domestic violence advocates said they want people to stay safe if they get into a verbal, physical or emotional dispute.

"Stay out of the kitchen or a bathroom if a fight does escalate because that's where a lot of weapons are kept; having a code word, having a place to leave or go to," McBride said.

[Click here](#) to contact the National Domestic Violence hotline.



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PLASMA

to doctors treating a variety of COVID-19 patients.

According to the FDA, anyone who has fully recovered from COVID-19 for at least two weeks is encouraged to consider donating plasma. Convalescent plasma must only be collected from recovered individuals if they are:

- Eligible to donate blood
- Have had a prior diagnosis of COVID-19 documented by a laboratory test
- Have complete resolution of symptoms for at least 28 days before they donate or have no symptoms for at least 14 days prior to donation and have

a negative lab test for active COVID-19 disease.

Potential recovered COVID-19 donors are asked to call a special hotline set up by Versiti that has been created: 1-866-702-HOPE (866-702-4673) and begin registering to donate. Potential donors can also find out more about Versiti's program and register by visiting versiti.org/covid19plasma.

Versiti, among the first in the U.S. to begin collecting convalescent plasma, is working with its partner hospitals to identify recovered patients. The donated plasma from recovered COVID-19


patients will be provided directly to the hospitals with whom Versiti is partnering.

Young said he does not know if his plasma donation will actually help others because it is too soon to tell. The FDA cautions that further investigation is still necessary to determine if convalescent plasma is safe and effective as a treatment for COVID-19, and whether it might shorten the duration of illness, reduce morbidity, or prevent death.

"Everything is happening so fast, it's hard to say how effective Kevin's donation will be," said Carmel Fire Chief David Haboush. "But we must keep doing everything we can to find treatments for COVID-19 patients. I applaud Kevin and anyone willing to donate plasma for the benefit of someone else."

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I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.


– Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

To help Hamilton County families affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse, you can donate the following items:

- Art supplies (for children to journal and express their emotions)
- Bottled water (8 oz. bottles, preferably)
- Individually packaged snacks
- Gas cards (many women have no access to funds after fleeing their abuser)

Drop off items at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, 14701 Tom Wood Way.





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Local Porsche owners help Central Indiana food banks

The REPORTER

The Central Indiana Region of the Porsche Club of America (CIR-PCA) board of directors recently voted to donate \$1,000 to each of five foodbanks in Central Indiana.

The club has a long history of giving, with well over \$100,000 committed to philanthropic causes in just the last 10 years. The CIR-PCA board met last week in an emergency session to discuss the current crisis for the needy in the state. Indiana is facing record unemployment.

Club President Rob Fike said, "As we continue to navigate through these unprecedented times, things are constantly changing, as you know. While some of us are only mildly affected by the epidemic, many of our Hoosier brothers and sisters are horribly affected. Either by contracting the virus itself or by the financial devastation it is producing by the lockdown and job loss. People that never, ever expected to have problems feeding their families now



Photo provided

find themselves in dire straits. By our donations, we feel that this just again reinforces the fact that our Porsche family is made up of the best people anywhere! We will get through this together. Remember, it's not just the cars, it's the people."

The recipients of this first round of food bank donations will be:

- Indianapolis: Gleaners Food Bank
- Lafayette: Food Finders Food Bank

- Muncie: Second Harvest Food Bank
- Fort Wayne: Community Harvest Food Bank
- Bloomington: Hoosier Hills Food Bank

The CIR-PCA board will continue to assess the needs of local communities as the pandemic progresses.

About the CIR-PCA

The Central Indiana Region Porsche Club of America is a car club dedicated to Porsche owners. It is comprised of and dedicated to Porsche

owners and their family and friends. It is a totally non-profit organization managed entirely by volunteers. The CIR-PCA maintains this interest by continually expanding and varying the planned events and activities sponsored by the club. Since 1955, the Porsche Club of America has catered to the particular needs and interests of the Porsche owner. CIR-PCA's main mission is to heighten the Porsche owning and driving experiences.

AROUNDTUIT

holiday. It takes hours. I remember how much I love my family as I reach about the third hour. This Easter my family did a drive-by pickup.

If my dishwasher had a voice I am sure she would say, "When is this woman ever going back to work?" Instead of the twice a week workout she is getting one every other day. I call her a "she" because she takes forever.

My cooking skills are a

combination of Paula Deen, Rachael Ray and Audrey Hart. Quick comfort food made with love.

I have become obsessed with baking homemade banana bread. I know the gal selecting groceries for my Walmart pickup has to wonder why I need 12 bananas every few days. That makes three loaves. They get delivered as a surprise to various friends. Don't worry, I do social distance deliveries. With my mask and gloves

I look like a porch pirate, only I give, not take.

My #2 obsession has become jigsaw puzzles. Seriously, I sit down and three hours later I am still hunched over and wearing my reading glasses (now called my puzzle glasses). Chuck has to remind me it's midnight and that I never stay up that late ... until now. I am on my sixth puzzle.

When the weather gets nice, I will get my hands out in the mulch and dirt. Chuck

knows I would much rather have mulch than diamonds so there is a large pile in our driveway. I love that man!

Well, I never in my wildest nightmares thought that I would find my aroundtuit during a virus. This sheltering down, slowing down has been good in many ways. Chuck made me a round piece of wood with the words "TUIT" on it as a souvenir. I will cherish it as much as I do my mulch ... and Chuck!

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CEREMONY

Musical performances will include Cantor Arnie Lewin, Shaarey Tefilla member; Cantor Melissa Cohen, the Carmel United Methodist Church Bell Choir; the University High School of Indiana Vocal Quintet; and Indianapolis Opera Resident Artists: Laura Zahn, Mezzo-Soprano, Felipe Prado – Tenor,

Andrew Pham – Pianist.

Background

The City of Carmel's annual Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony remembers and honors the victims of the Holocaust. This historical event includes a Civic Proclamation by Mayor Brainard and other special guest speakers. Every year,

students from area schools participate in the event, which also features special musical performances.

The Carmel commemoration is part of Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day), an international holiday for remembering the victims of the Holocaust. It reminds us, as Americans, of what can

happen to civilized people when bigotry, hatred and indifference reign.

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TOMLIN

on our past 2019-20 season productions of *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, *Murder for Two* and *Sweeney Todd*," said ATI Co-Founder and Associate Artistic Director Judy Fitzgerald.

"We can't wait to begin our 16th Season with Abigail! She's wonderful," said ATI Co-Founder and Associate Artistic Director Cynthia Collins.

Tomlin has been stage-managing professionally throughout the Midwest for the last five years. She has worked at such reputable theatres as The Drury Lane Theatre, Big Noise Theatre, Roosevelt University, Cedar Rapids Opera Theatre, Actors Theatre of Indiana, Music Theatre

Works and many others. She received her bachelor's degree from the Ball State University Department of Theatre and Dance focusing on Production Stage Management. #chirpchirp

"I am thrilled to be continuing to work with Actors Theatre of Indiana and cannot wait to see what the season will bring," said Tomlin, who begins immediately.

Actors Theatre of Indiana is currently waiting out the COVID-19 quarantine, spending time planning the next exciting season of productions. ATI looks forward to resuming its mission to make our stage a true home for all members of our community and letting the world see what great art can come

out of the state-of-the-art 200-seat Studio Theater at the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

Farrell and all of ATI offered well-wishes to the departing Kevin Casey.

In a personal message to Kevin, the Co-Founders of ATI said this: "Kevin, congratulations! We wish you all the best at your new home with our colleagues at Beef and Boards Dinner Theatre. We will miss you and want to thank you for your passion, hard work and friendship these past five years with Actors Theatre of Indiana. Love, Don, Judy and Cindy."

Learn more about Actors Theatre of Indiana at atistage.org.

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AGRI-PARK

opportunities to encounter traditional livestock, such as cows, chickens, and goats. Open fields and a farm-themed play structure, constructed in partnership with Reynolds Farm Equipment, will provide discovery and play spaces for Fishers' youngest residents. A programming barn will serve as an educational space for both public and school-based programs with Hamilton Southeastern Schools. The park will also offer seasonal experiences,

such as a corn maze and pumpkin patch in the fall.

Over the last few months, the Fishers Parks team has been busy prepping the park for a public summer opening. In March, plastic was placed over the greenhouse, where plants will be started before being moved outdoors. Later this month, more than 200 trees will be delivered and planted on the farm. These trees will be used as needed to replace trees at various park

properties across Fishers.

"Fishers Parks staff are working hard this spring to deliver a brand-new experience to Fishers," said Fishers Parks Director Sarah Sandquist. "We can't wait to invite the community to this new space, and will have ample opportunities to volunteer, learn, discover, and be a part of something very special."

To learn more, visit [Fishers Parks' website](http://FishersParks.org) and follow the Fishers AgriPark on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/fishersparks) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/fishersparks).

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Carmel International Arts Festival planning quarantine artwork show

The REPORTER

Art has a way of healing during troubled times, whether you're watching it on a computer screen or making it in your home.

The Carmel International Arts Festival announces a new "The Art

Heals Project" in which artists of all ages and stages are encouraged to express their feelings through their own creations of art — produced now, while in quarantined due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and then displayed Sept. 26-27

at the 2020 Carmel International Arts Festival.

"We know that expressing your feelings through art can be therapeutic and we also know how people are felling during this crazy pandemic. We want to challenge

artists and non-artists to be creative and let art be a means of healing during quarantine. We can't wait to share all of these pieces during our festival in September," said Rachel Ferry, executive director of the Carmel International

Arts Festival.

In order to have your art work displayed, it must be created during the quarantine, you must register online and once completed, take a picture of yourself with your art project and share it on social

media with the hashtag #ArtHealsProject.

The completed projects will be displayed in a special booth planned for this year's Festival in Carmel.

To enter the Art Show and read all the rules, go to carmelartsfestival.org.

Beth Henderson earns endorsement in Congressional run from Tom McKinney

The REPORTER

Beth Henderson, Republican candidate for Indiana's 5th Congressional District, has received an endorsement from Tom McKinney, agriculture business owner and local philanthropist.

"Beth is a successful entrepreneur and farm owner. She understands the business of agriculture and that's important for farmers and our economy," said McKinney. "Beth is smart, strong, and has the common sense needed to fight for agriculture and the interests of the 5th District in Congress."

McKinney is president of McKinney & McKinney, a family farm operation based in Kempton. The farm is 5,000 acres and



Henderson

produces seed corn and soybeans, as well as commercial corn and beans. He was instrumental in bringing the C.W. Mount Community Center to Tipton. The facility houses a community center, the Tipton County Boys & Girls Club, the Encore Senior Center and Encore Food Pantry, Anytime Fitness Center, banquet rooms, gymnasium, and walking track.

Henderson has proudly lived and worked in the 5th District since 1990. She is a successful business owner, registered nurse, healthcare advocate, farmer, job creator and lifelong Republican who says she understands the needs of Hoosiers.

For more information, visit bethforindiana.com.

Aspire institutes Hero Pay for pandemic responders

The REPORTER

Aspire Indiana Health has instituted Hero Pay for its frontline responders to the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in daily shift bonuses for staff who interact in-person with clients.

Hero Pay is now being implemented retroactive to April 6, according to Lise Ann Ebert, Vice President of People Operations for Aspire. The non-profit fully integrated healthcare organization, which provides primary medical, behavioral health and support services, is also exploring other benefit enhancements to protect its workforce during the crisis.

"Hero Pay is about giving

something extra to those who are providing person-to-person care during extraordinarily challenging times," Ebert said. "We are seeing so many people across the country putting themselves at risk to help others, from nurses and doctors to grocery store workers and truck drivers. Aspire wanted to do something to acknowledge the heroes in our own ranks."

Unlike some healthcare providers, particularly on the behavioral health side, who have had to cut back on shifts or even furlough workers, Aspire is operating at approximately the same capacity as before Indiana's

stay-at-home order went into effect.

Appointments are now conducted primarily via telehealth, most of them video meetings, with in-person interactions as needed at one of Aspire's six health clinics. All recommended health safety protocols are observed during in-person appointments.

Because of its tremendous growth over the last year, Aspire is now well above the 500-employee cap for government pandemic assistance programs recently signed into law and thus not eligible to receive funds.

Learn more at AspireIndiana.org.

AG Curtis Hill secures \$100,000 in restitution from used-car dealerships accused of violating Indiana laws

The REPORTER

Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill announced last week that four Indianapolis-based used-car dealerships have paid \$100,000 total in restitution after the Office of the Attorney General alleged they violated Indiana consumer and motor vehicle laws.

In an **amended complaint** filed in July 2016, the office alleged that the dealerships — Circle City Auto Exchange, Inc.; Circle City Auto Connection Inc.; Circle City Sales & Service Inc.; and Empire Auto Group Limited — violated the Indiana Deceptive Consumer Sales Act and the Indiana Salvage Motor Vehicles Act. The dealerships were accused of selling more than 200 used motor vehicles without obtaining the proper title brands required after the dealerships purchased the vehicles at salvage auctions after major accidents.

These vehicles were declared "total loss" by their previous owners' insurance companies, but they did not contain a title brand of "salvage" or "rebuilt." In Indiana, when a vehicle is determined to be a "total loss" after an accident, the insurance company or owner

must apply to the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) for a "salvage" title. For a "salvage" vehicle to be eligible to be operated on Indiana roads, the owner must then apply for a "rebuilt" title, provide certain documents to the BMV and submit the vehicle to a police inspection.

After purchasing the vehicles from the salvage auction, the dealerships would apply to the Indiana BMV for clean titles, according to the complaint. This clean title designation significantly affected the perceived value of the vehicles, resulting in consumers paying more than the vehicles were worth, Hill said.

Additionally, the dealerships did not properly rebuild those vehicles for use on Indiana roads in accordance with state law, the complaint alleged. The dealerships also misrepresented the mechanical quality, safety and performance of the vehicles, while charging consumers excessive prices for them, according to the complaint.

Many consumers who purchased these vehicles



Hill

from the dealerships experienced mechanical and safety issues soon after buying them, the complaint says.

"Any business or person that deceptively sells vehicles to Hoosier consumers will face consequences," Hill said. "Hoosiers deserve truthful information about the vehicles they are purchasing."

A **consent agreement** in the case was approved in Marion County Superior Court. The court granted judgment against the dealerships for \$100,000 in consumer restitution.

The money was paid to the Office of the Attorney General, which will distribute it to consumers who purchased vehicles from the dealerships and were harmed by the alleged violations of the dealerships. Consumers who purchased such vehicles can expect to receive a restitution claim form from the Office of the Attorney General in the coming weeks.

Empire Auto Group Limited is the only one of the four dealerships that is still in operation.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month
April 19th - 25th is National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

Join Prevail and other local businesses in recognizing the voices of survivors of violence in Hamilton County by offering space to display the Clothesline Project at

The Clothesline Project Art Installation is a display of shirts with graphic messages and illustrations created by survivors of violence or family members of victims who have been murdered. The purpose of the Clothesline Project is to increase awareness of the impact of violence and to give survivors an avenue for breaking the silence that often surrounds crimes like sexual assault and domestic violence.

The Project is a healing tool for survivors and an educational tool for the community.

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Brooks introduces Stockpile Inventory Modernization Act

The REPORTER

On Friday, Congresswomen Susan W. Brooks (R-Ind.-05) and Anna Eshoo (D-Calif.-18) introduced H.R. 6516, the Stockpile Inventory Modernization (SIM) Act of 2020 to allow the Strategic National Stockpile to better serve Americans.

"Under current law, the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) is forced to throw away countless dollars of personal protective equipment and pharmaceuticals per year as those items expire," said Brooks. "This critical piece of legislation will give the SNS the authority to sell such products to other federal agencies before they expire, thus saving the American taxpayers money. It will expand the ability of the SNS to keep the supplies on its shelves up-to-date by allowing it to work with other Federal agencies to meet their mutual needs. When another Federal Agency has a need for a product stockpiled on the SNS' shelves, the agency can engage in an agreement with the SNS to purchase that product. This will have the dual effect of saving American taxpayers' money, by allowing other agencies to purchase at a discount, while also allowing the SNS to keep the supplies on its shelves."

"The current COVID-19 emergency has demonstrated that the SNS plays a critical role in our nation's response to a public health event, but the pandemic has also highlighted the need for long overdue improvements to the way SNS operates," said Eshoo. "I'm proud to sponsor this important legislation to give the SNS additional flexibility and stretch taxpayer dollars further so that we can respond to the current pandemic and be prepared for the next."

The Stockpile Inventory Modernization Act of 2020 gives the SNS the ability to make sales to other federal agencies.

This bipartisan legislation was created to allow SNS to sell existing product on its shelves to other agencies so that SNS can recover some fraction of the original purchase price which it can then reinvest in new inventory for the shelves. The federal agencies purchasing the products will also benefit from this. They will be receiving a discount on product they would have otherwise had to purchase at full price from a manufacturer.

Currently, the SNS buys



Brooks

a product directly from manufacturers then keeps it on the shelf until expiry. Upon expiry, the product is destroyed and the SNS has to use new appropriations to restock.

This legislation will have the dual benefit of saving American taxpayers money while simultaneously improving the ability of the stockpile to keep its inventory up-to-date.

This legislation does not obligate the SNS or any agency to engage in such sale. It simply gives them the option if both parties believe such a sale is in their mutual best interest.

Sales of this type already happen regularly within the federal government. The General Services Administration (GSA) regularly purchases large quantities of supplies and sells it to other agencies. The GSA can take advantage of economies of scale then sell to other agencies as their needs arise. Aside from benefiting from economies of scale, it allows each agency to stockpile less of its own product because it knows the government already has some of the product sitting on the shelves for them to purchase as their needs arise.

Fishers road construction updates, week of April 20

The REPORTER

State Road 37

126th Street west of SR 37 is currently closed and is anticipated to reopen in July. During this time, cross access and all left turns will be restricted, with only right in and right out until this phase ends. Traffic on southbound SR 37 will shift to the northbound lanes and two lanes will remain in each direction. Local access to businesses will remain open via Lantern Road. The official detour route will direct drivers to use 116th Street or 131st Street to Allisonville Road. Detour route markers and advance warning signs will be in place prior to the closure.

For a map of the detours, [click here](#). Please drive with caution through this area. To learn more about the State Road 37 Improvement Project and sign up to receive text updates, visit [37Thrives.com](#).

Stay-At-Home Order

Governor Holcomb has issued a stay-at-home order. The order applies to the entire state of Indiana and states where unless you work at an essential business or are doing an essential activity, you must stay at home. An FAQ on the order is available at [this link](#).

Residents are not restricted from walking, jogging, biking, or outdoor activities, including driving to local parks. The City of Fishers encourages you to get outdoors and enjoy the fresh air.

96th Street

96th Street between Sargent Road and Cumberland

Road is currently closed. During this time, the Sargent Road roundabout will be constructed, the bridge over Mud Creek will be replaced with a widened structure and additional travel lanes will be added. Local access will remain open from Lantern Road to the River Life Church. The Sargent Road roundabout is anticipated to reopen in mid-June. 96th Street east of Sargent Road to Cumberland Road will remain closed and is anticipated to reopen in early November. The official detour route will direct drivers to use Lantern Road or Cumberland Road to 106th Street. View the detour map [here](#).

116th Street

During the week of April 20, the eastbound lane of 116th Street will be reduced to one lane from Ikea Way to Cumberland Road while the Department of Public Works performs concrete road repairs.

The northernmost westbound lane of 116th Street between Lantern Road and Municipal Drive is currently restricted day and night for approximately 45 days. Access remains open to local businesses along the route.

The westbound lane of 116th Street between Municipal Drive and Post Office Road currently has lane restrictions in place for water main relocation.

Spyglass Falls Subdivision

Beginning the week of April 20, road surface will be placed.

Municipal Drive

Currently, there are lane restrictions on Municipal

Drive behind the library in order to construct on-street parking and is anticipated to be completed by the end of June.

South Street

South Street is currently closed between the railroad tracks and Moore Street for approximately two weeks.

Lantern Road

Beginning on Wednesday, April 22, Lantern Road between 126th and 131st streets will be reduced to one lane for utility work. Flaggers will be in place to direct traffic.

Lantern Road is closed to thru traffic, beginning south of 116th Street to Fishers Pointe Boulevard, as part of the Downtown Infrastructure Improvement Project to improve the sanitary sewer underneath Lantern Road. Access to Fishers Elementary is available from 106th Street. Check out the project [Fact Sheet](#) to learn more.

Keep Fishers DPW safe

Road construction continues around Fishers, so please remember to slow down and drive carefully around road workers. [Click here](#) to see the Fishers DPW crew talk about worker safety.

While this list encompasses numerous project updates, it does not list all DPW projects throughout the city. The most recent projects are detailed, however please keep in mind that all construction activities are weather permitting. The city appreciates motorists' patience and caution while driving through construction sites.

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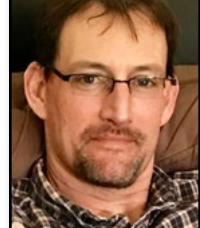
And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat. But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean. And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common. This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven. Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate, And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

Acts 10:13-18 (KJV)

Jeremy John Clayton

March 6, 1975

Jeremy John Clayton, 45, Cicero, passed away recently due to an accident while boating on Morse Lake.



He was born March 6, 1975 in Indianapolis to John Elson and Yvonne Jeannette (Watts) Clayton.

He was a graduate of Hamilton Heights High School with the Class of 1993 and then earned a BS Degree from Purdue University. He was currently a sales representative for an industrial cutting tools company.

He is survived by his father and mother, John and Yvonne Clayton, Cicero; son, Briar Clayton, Zionsville; daughter, Sophie Clayton, Zionsville; brother, Joshua Clayton, Fishers; grandparents, Elson Clayton, Southport, and Orval Watts, Cicero; and former wife, Terri Brown, Zionsville.

Preceding him in death are grandmothers, Nellie Clayton and Barbara Watts.

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What was the wage of an Indy policewomen 100 years ago?

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This week in Indiana's history ...

1891 – President Benjamin Harrison arrived in San Francisco on a 10,000 mile 31-day trip to the West Coast. The children of the city stood along Van Ness Avenue and tossed flowers into the carriages of the Presidential party. At the time, the journey was the longest ever taken by a President while in office. On the return trip, Harrison stopped in his hometown of Indianapolis.

1898 – Indiana Governor James A. Mount, responding to a request from President William McKinley, called for 4,000 volunteers to fight in the war with Spain. Indiana was the first state in the nation to meet and exceed its quota, with over 7,000 volunteers eventually involved in the war, which lasted less



than four months.

1920 – The Indianapolis Common Council voted to increase the pay of city policewomen to \$4.50 a day. The raise brought the wage up to the same level as a patrolman. An appropriation of \$25,000 was also made to cover the expenses of the city centennial celebration coming up in June.

1937 – Lafayette city schools closed at noon so students could attend the Tom Mix Three-Ring Circus at Martin's Show Grounds. The famous movie cowboy

advertised a show with over 200 acts, three herds of elephants, 1,000 wild animals, and the world-famous Arbaugh Family, daredevil aerial performers. School superintendent Morris E. McCarty said he believed the show would be "of educational advantage to the children."

1956 – The Four Freshmen were among the big-name recording stars performing at the Columbus auditorium. The group was formed by Columbus brothers Ross and Don Barbour

when they attended the Jordan Conservatory of Music, part of Butler University. Joined by Ken Errair and Bob Flanigan, the quartet was named the nation's top vocal group by Downbeat Magazine three years in a row. Also on the bill at the Columbus concert were Nat King Cole, June Christie, and the Ted Heath Orchestra.

1976 – President Gerald Ford spoke to members of the Indiana Broadcasters Association at Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. He discussed issues in the upcoming Presidential election. That evening, he was an overnight guest of Otis and Beth Bowen at the Governor's Residence. The next day the President and Governor Bowen traveled to Evansville where they spoke at the Vanderburgh County Auditorium.

Remember to call 811 before digging

The REPORTER

Duke Energy is reminding its customers and communities to call 811 before digging anywhere to protect the nation's underground utility network, prevent potential personal injury and avoid electric and natural gas outages. The company made a special plea to those under stay-at-home orders who may have more time for yard projects that involve digging.

The national "811 Call Before You Dig" system was created so anyone who plans to dig anywhere can call to have underground utility lines clearly marked.

The goal of this common effort is to prevent potential injuries, disruptions in utility services and costly repairs for the offenders.

The free service is available for all property types (homes and businesses) and it notifies utility companies, which then send crews to identify and clearly mark underground electric, natural gas, water, sewer, phone, cable TV and other utility lines. Crews use above-ground stakes, flags or paint to mark restricted areas before a customer begins a digging project.

In 2019, Duke Energy reported nearly 500 inci-

dents of damage to its underground electrical network in Indiana.

"Hitting an underground utility line can cause service interruptions and possibly injuries. To avoid this risk, we encourage all of our customers to call 811 before any digging project, no matter how large or small," said Stan Pinegar, Duke Energy state president for Indiana.

In late 2019, the Common Ground Alliance (CGA) issued a report stating that 509,000 excavation-related damages to underground facilities occurred nationwide in 2018, compared to the 2017 esti-

mate of 439,000 damages. The CGA is a national organization formed in 2000 to unify all 50 states in a shared effort to prevent damage to underground utilities and infrastructure.

For more information about the national system and about the 811 office in your state, visit call811.com.

For additional information on Indiana 811, [click here](http://clickhere).

To see a video that shows how to use 811, [click here](http://clickhere). For additional information, see Duke's story on illumination: [Before you dig](http://Beforeyoudig), call 811. It's free.

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COVID-19 cancellations

Send your event cancellation notice to Notices@ReadTheReporter.com

Countywide

Prevail providing services despite temporary closure

To Our Community,

Prevail staff have continued to provide limited staffing in the office, while meeting most of the needs of our clients by phone.

With the Governor's announcement requiring us all to stay home, we will be closing the office and asking all employees to work from home. If you

are in need of Prevail services, please call us! Our community is very important to us and we will continue to serve those who need us.

Our business line, 317-773-6942, will be available for voicemail messages that will be checked throughout the day (with an option to press 1 to be

forwarded to the crisis line) and our crisis line, 317-776-3472, will be answered live during this time.

We look forward to continuing to support those who need our services in new and creative ways!

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For more information, visit prevailinc.org.

Riverview Health closes physician offices, limiting orthopedic hours

The REPORTER

Riverview Health has closed all but three primary care offices and has limited hours for orthopedics offices.

The three primary care offices that will remain open include Noblesville Family Medicine, Sheridan

Family Medicine and Hazel Dell Family Care. The open orthopedics offices will be Riverview Health Orthopedics & Sports Medicine – Carmel and Riverview Health Orthopedics & Sports Medicine – Westfield.

Patients needing to schedule an appointment, refill a prescription or otherwise consult with their provider should call their physician's office.

No walk-ins will be allowed at any of the open offices.

PrimeLife temporarily closes doors

The REPORTER

Due to the growing serious health threat of the coronavirus, PrimeLife Enrichment has closed its Center, located at 1078 Third Ave. SW in Carmel, until further notice.

The Central Indiana Council on Aging

(CICOA) will deliver lunches to those in need. PrimeLife Enrichment members are encouraged to contact CICOA for additional information.

Visit primelifeenrichment.org for more information.

Atlanta

Mr. Muffin's closes train layout display to public

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For the health and safety of our customers and friends, the layout at Mr. Muffin's Trains in Atlanta will be closed for now. The shop will remain open for shipping and pickups. We

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Atlanta Town Council closes public places

The Atlanta Town Council has closed the following public places:

- Town Hall
- Community Center
- Playground at the park, but not the park itself

The Easter Egg Hunt has also been postponed until further notice. These closures will remain in effect until further notice.

Fishers

Lobby closed at Fishers Police Department Headquarters

The Fishers Police Department has closed the lobby of its headquarters. Please call (317) 595-3300 to speak to Records staff and (317) 773-1282 to speak with a Fishers police officer.

Cicero

Cicero Board of Zoning Appeals meeting canceled

The Cicero Board of Zoning Appeals meeting originally scheduled for April 23, 2020, has been canceled..

Cicero Town Council meeting canceled

The Cicero Town Council meeting originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2020, has been canceled.

Westfield

Westfield Lions Club postpones Poker for Sight tournament

The REPORTER

The Westfield Lions Poker for Sight Texas Hold 'Em Poker tournament, originally scheduled for April 17 and 18, will be postponed until Friday and Saturday,

June 12 and 13.

The Lions Poker for Sight tournaments are the largest fund raisers for the Westfield group. They are a vital part of the club's philanthropic endeavors every year.

For more information or to register for Lions Poker for Sight go to lions-poker.org.

For more information on the Westfield Lions Club go to westfieldlions.org.

Community First Bank limits lobby traffic, remains open for business

The REPORTER

All CFB branches have temporarily closed the lobbies to walk-in traffic. The Oak Ridge branch in Westfield will remain fully staffed and able to assist customers.

Banking will still be carried out via

four drive-up locations, six 24/7 ATMs, online banking, mobile app, night deposit, and in-person appointments by request (including new account openings, loan appointments, etc.).

Please call (765) 236-0600 with any questions.

Carmel

Palladium concerts rescheduled

The REPORTER

The Center for the Performing Arts has rescheduled four Center Presents concerts that had been postponed in response to

public health guidelines for COVID-19.

Ticket holders with questions can contact Patron Services at Tickets@TheCenterPresents.org.

The rescheduled performances will be part of the 2020-21 Center Presents 10th Anniversary Season sponsored by Allied Solutions.

Carmel Community Players reschedules final two shows of this year's season

Dear Patrons:

The remaining two shows of the 2019-20 season will be delayed as follows:

The Last Five Years, which had been scheduled

to run from April 24 to May 10, will shift forward to July 17-26, assuming rehearsals can start up again by May/June, for performances at The Cat.

[Click here](#) to make a tax-deductible donation to Carmel Community Players. For more information, call (317) 815-9387 or visit carmelplayers.org.

Carmel closes Monon Community Center

The Monon Community Center is closed until further notice. For the most up-to-date information, please visit carmelclayparks.com/coronavirus-information.

Sheridan

Sheridan Historical Society's Heritage Celebration Dinner postponed until fall

The REPORTER

The Sheridan Historical Society has canceled its annual Heritage Celebration Dinner, which was scheduled for Thursday, April 16. The dinner will be rescheduled

for some time in the fall of 2020.

The Sheridan Historical Society thanks everyone for their support during these troubling times and reminds everyone to STAY HOME and STAY SAFE.

Sheridan school board meeting canceled

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of Trustees meeting originally scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2020, has been canceled.

Noblesville

Community First Bank limits lobby traffic, remains open for business

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All CFB branches have temporarily closed the lobbies to walk-in traffic. The Pebble Village branch in Noblesville will remain fully staffed and able to assist customers.

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four drive-up locations, six 24/7 ATMs, online banking, mobile app, night deposit, and in-person appointments by request (including new account openings, loan appointments, etc.).

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Noblesville Plan Commission meeting canceled

The City of Noblesville has canceled the Plan Commission meeting originally scheduled for April 20, 2020.

Hamilton County

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Noblesville, Carmel, Westfield, Sheridan, Hamilton Heights, Fishers, University, Guerin Catholic, Hamilton Southeastern

Honoring senior athletes . . .

Hartwick and Kelley have shown leadership for Heights girls tennis

The Hamilton Heights girls tennis team is honoring its two senior co-captains, Caitlin Hartwick and Gwendolyn Kelley.

Huskies coach Wayne Rupe provided information to the Reporter. Rupe said that the leadership of Hartwick and Kelley “will be sorely missed.”

Rupe said that Hartwick “has thoroughly been a joy to coach” during his time at Hamilton Heights. “I sincerely miss her laugh at practices. There is never a dull moment when Caitlin is around.

In addition to being co-captain and a two-year letter winner for the tennis team, Hartwick also was on the Huskies’ soccer sectional championship team. She won the Presidential volunteer award and was the Heisman High School winner. Hartwick said her favorite moment on the team was playing doubles with Kelley: “We would tell jokes at each changeover so that we would keep smiling no matter what the score was at the time!” She plans to attend Indiana Wesleyan University to study nursing.

Other information about Hartwick:
Parents: Chad and Cheri Hartwick
Siblings: Dalton, Tessa & Stella
Pets: Petunia (dog), Victoria (cat) and all her barnyard friends
GPA: 4.898
Extra-curricular activities: Soccer, Tennis, Student Government, Honor Society, 4H, Youth Group, BPA, Drama Club and Church volunteer
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Volz
Favorite TV show: Drake & Josh or New Girl
Favorite Movie: Set It Up
Favorite Food: My momma’s Baked Spaghetti
Favorite Restaurant: Chick-Fil-A

Meanwhile, Rupe said that Kelley “has been one of the hardest workers in tennis that I have ever been around. She has improved every year since I have been coaching Husky tennis.

Kelley said her biggest achievement was making the varsity tennis team; she was a three-year letter winner. Her favorite high school moment was when teammate Alyssa Irwin “did a soccer goalie dive for a volley in competition.” She plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana.



Photos provided

Caitlin Hartwick (above) and Gwendolyn Kelley (below) were co-captains for the Hamilton Heights girls tennis team. Huskies coach Wayne Rupe praised their leadership.



Other information about Kelley:
Parents: Dawn Kelley
Siblings: Jennavieve (Jenna) Kelley
GPA: 3.845
Extra-curricular activities: Tennis, Theater, Band, Honor Society, Culture Literacy Club
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Kauffman
Favorite TV show: The Office
Favorite movie: The Nightmare Before Christmas
Favorite food: Cheese Quesadilla
Favorite restaurant: OEC (sushi)

Coaches welcome to send information on seniors

Coaches for spring sports are welcome to submit information about their senior athletes so they can be honored. Those who wish to participate can contact sports editor Richie Hall at rhall1977@gmail.com or by the Reporter’s Facebook page.

After three years at Fishers . . .
Matt Moore hired as Warsaw boys basketball coach

Matt Moore, head coach of the Fishers boys basketball team for the past three seasons, has taken the head coaching job for the Warsaw boys basketball team. The hiring was announced by the Warsaw Tigers athletic website on Saturday.

Moore replaces the retiring Doug Ogle, who spent 18 seasons at Warsaw and led the school to a state finals appearance in 2010.

Moore compiled a 47-27 record for the Fishers Tigers, including 18 wins this past season, the most wins since the school re-opened in 2006. He was also the head coach at Kokomo High School for three seasons, and coached at Mount Vernon Nazarene University and Grace College.

Moore received several messages on Twitter praising him on Saturday, and later tweeted that he was “overwhelmed and humbled” by the response. He called it a “bittersweet time for our family,” but yet rewarding that he had made so many “fruitful” relationships.

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Indianapolis 500 veteran, CART Rookie of the Year Bob Lazier dies at 81

Bob Lazier, the 1981 CART Rookie of the Year who made his sole Indianapolis 500 start in that season, died Saturday, April 18. He was 81.

The affable Lazier also was well known as the father of 1996 Indianapolis 500 winner and 2000 INDYCAR champion Buddy Lazier and Indy 500 and INDYCAR veteran Jaques Lazier.

Minneapolis native Bob Lazier started 13th and was credited with 19th place in the No. 35 Montgomery Ward Auto Club Penske/Cosworth, owned by Bob Fletcher, in his sole Indy 500 start, in 1981. He was forced from the race due to engine failure after completing 154 laps.

Lazier ended up ninth in the CART standings in 1981, with best finishes of fourth on the road courses at Watkins Glen and Mexico City. That strong performance earned him CART Rookie of the Year honors.

He returned to Indianapolis in 1982 but did not attempt to qualify, as he agreed with his family's concern after Gordon Smiley's fatal crash during the opening day of qualifying.

Lazier then focused on his work as a successful building contractor in Vail, Colorado, and on the budding driving careers of his sons. Buddy climbed through the SCCA ranks and raced in IMSA sports cars before competing in CART and INDYCAR, with his win in 1996 at Indianapolis for Hemelgarn Racing the most



noteworthy of his eight career victories.

Jaques Lazier also earned an INDYCAR victory, triumphing in 2001 at Chicagoland Speedway while driving for Team Menard.

Bob Lazier moved from Minnesota to Vail after he and his wife, Diane, spent their honeymoon there in 1963, enticed by seeing a brochure about the nascent mountain ski resort town at the Minneapolis ski shop where Bob worked. Lazier's company built numerous properties

in Vail, with Tivoli Lodge as his crown jewel.

Lazier started racing in the early 1970s, and he won a class title in the 1972 SCCA National Championship Runoffs at Road Atlanta in a Formula Vee. He also raced in Formula 5000 and the USAC Mini-Indy Series in the 1970s before climbing to Indy cars in 1981.

In recent years, Lazier stayed involved in racing as a team owner and by driving vintage race cars. He and son

Buddy formed Lazier Partners Racing in 2013, with Buddy making four Indianapolis 500 starts between 2013-17 under that banner and the Lazier/Burns Racing name, both small, low-budget, one-car teams.

Bob Lazier also was a frequent and enthusiastic competitor this decade in the SVRA Brickyard Vintage Racing Invitational at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

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